

WALSH BACK FROM VACATION

Will at Once Take Up Inspection of Mines in This District

—Mine Inspector P. J. Walsh and wife have returned from Atlantic City where they have been enjoying a two weeks' vacation.

Walsh will at once take up the inspection of his mines with a view of ascertaining where flood prevention measures are necessary and will file his report as soon as possible with the state department of mines in accordance with the request of Chief Frederick in a letter to all Pennsylvania mine inspectors the first of the

FOR SALE

For Sale—Country of seeking coal in
Westmoreland tract Address COAL
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Total Ores.	In Blaze	Name of Works.	Name of Operators.	P O Address
820	175	Acme	W J Ratney	New York, N Y
820	175	Acme	Penn Coke Co.	Uniontown
190	263	Adelaide	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburgh
82	183	Albright	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburgh
197	363	Bazelzye	H C Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburgh
182	193	Bentley	M C Pleasant Coke Co.	Uniontown
192		Bethany	Nashville Coke Co.	Uniontown
160	140	Blythe	H C Frick Coke Co.	Uniontown
140		Bourne	Smallman Coal & Coke Co.	Uniontown
120	123	Loyola	H C Frick Coke Co.	Uniontown
840		Brakefalcon	H C Frick Coke Co.	Uniontown
100		Buckeye	H C Frick Coke Co.	Uniontown
200	1	Brown Run	Brush Run Coke Company	Uniontown
200	1	Calumet	H C Frick Coke Co.	Uniontown
100		Candis	Shannon Consolidated Coke Co.	Uniontown
80	20	Central	H C Frick Coke Co.	Uniontown
100		Clatter	Sunrise Coal & Coke Co.	Uniontown
100		Clare	Clare Coke Co.	Uniontown
120	190	Collamore	H C Frick Coke Co.	Uniontown
400	140	Coal & Lignite No 1	H C Frick Coke Co.	Uniontown
320	20	Continental No 2	H C Frick Coke Co.	Uniontown
100		Continental No 3	H C Frick Coke Co.	Uniontown
120	190	Crawford	H C Frick Coke Co.	Uniontown
320		Davison	H C Frick Coke Co.	Uniontown
40		Deane	Nashville Coke Co.	Uniontown
120	170	Dorothy	H C Frick Coke Co.	Uniontown
40		Eileen No 1	Whyte Coke Co.	Uniontown
40		Eileen No 2	Whyte Coke Co.	Uniontown
100	100	Elizabeth	Unity Conventualia Coke Co.	Uniontown
100		Elm Grove	W. Ratney	Uniontown
100		Erst	W. Ratney	Uniontown
301	1	Gilmore	Gilmore Coke Co.	Uniontown
124		Grace	W. Ratney	Uniontown
100	1	Her No No 1	H C Frick Coke Co.	Uniontown
190	210	Her No No 2	H C Frick Coke Co.	Uniontown
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Composed of a Democratic House and a Senate controlled by Democrats and Progressive votes, its chief aim and purpose has been to manufacture campaign material for the coming Presidential election. To this end it has inaugurated and conducted a number of so-called "investigations" of large corporations with a view to proving the Trusts to be the foes of the people and fastening their parentage upon the Republican party.

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The attempts at Tariff revision are confessedly attempts to discredit the administration of President Taft and weaken his strength as a candidate for reelection. The bills reducing import duties were prepared without serious investigation of the subject. Upon the whole they were hot air and reason but in strict accordance with former Democratic revisions which proved so disastrous to the business and the people of the country.

The Democratic Tariff bills were enacted with the full knowledge that President Taft would veto them. Their authors aimed not at public relief from real or imaginary burdens but at political advantage only. At this time there is no more to be gained by meddling with the Tariff than there is by meddling with the nation's peace and prosperity.

On the contrary it is the same old Democratic party of pretense trimming its sails to every breeze tacking to and fro in search of the spoils of office. The champion of "economy" and the relentless critic of Billion-dollar Republican Congresses, it has managed with the assistance of its Progressive allies to spend more money at this session of Congress for general purposes than was ever spent in a like legislative period before. Excluding expenditures on account of the Panama Canal which are recognized as extraordinary, the present Congress spent \$990,000,000 as against \$931,000,000 of the preceding Republican Congress and this in spite of the fact that President Taft cut down his appropriations over \$1,000,000 below the estimates. It is safe to say that the people will be greatly deceived if they put any trust in promises of Democratic economy.

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The announcement that the State will inspect the motion picture theatres with a view to making them safe and sanitary marks the inauguration of a long-delayed reform.

Many of the motion picture theatres are among the worst fire-traps in the country. They have thus far escaped regulation probably because of their insignificant proportions but in this very fact lies one of the elements of their danger. They are generally small and crowded and their exits insufficient for the prompt emptying of the house in time of fire and panic.

The same conditions make them unsanitary and these are added to by insufficient ventilation and careless and indifferent cleaning. They are germ-incubators and disease breeders of the worst type and some of them are as corrupting to the morals as they are to the body.

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GENERAL WILLIAM BOOTH.

Washington Record.

In the death of General William Booth the world has lost the greatest soldier she has ever known and while we may go back to the leaders of the past to the Alexander the Greats and the Napoleons the Wellingtons and our more modern heroes none has reached a more exalted height than the great leader of the Salvation Army whose soul-winning campaigns have penetrated the darkest corners and have been carried to the very depths of perdition from which have been many rescued that have stirred whole nations.

That he was a mighty power for good all nations will agree and that his work for the uplift of humanity was appreciated is manifested by the recognition that his name received in almost every nation on the face of the globe. He himself was the real head and front of the army and he directed a wonderful work which each army post was left to work out the details and his sons and daughters have been carried to the very depths of perdition from which have been many rescued that have stirred whole nations.

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Abe, Martin



Our Chaucer will last a third longer this year on account of his new party.

It must be awful to have a hoe between your fingers and a hoe between your toes.

When some fellows get back from a vacation they are utterly surprised to find ever the same long all right.

Here is a boy from his first year in college who has made a cigarette with one hand.

Life is like a box of chocolates. You never know what you are going to get until you have it.

A lemming is a fellow who goes to the end of the world and back.

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EXPERIMENTAL FARM SYSTEM.

Washington Observer.

There are few other countries now that are making earnest efforts to improve farm conditions and add to the productivity of the soil. After the United States, when the land interest was taken in this subject and it is becoming of more importance as the years pass, the fact of the matter is that the United States is doing more to improve the soil than any other country in the world.

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PROBE FOR CHESTNUT BLIGHT NEAR END AND LOCAL OFFICE CLOSES

Supervisor Hubbs Prepares
to Finish Work in Five
Counties of District.

REPORT TO STATE COMMISSION

Connellsville Laboratory and Specimens to be Removed to Headquarters at Tyrone, Pa. and Placed on the Market.

Investigation of the State Chestnut Blight Commission in Fayette Green Westmoreland Washington and Allegheny counties are almost complete and Supervisor J. K. Hubbs, who has charge of the work of the commission in the five counties, is closing up his work preparatory to making his report to the commission at Harrisburg. Many of the specimens will be taken to the laboratory at Tyrone, Pa. and placed on the market.

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SPANISH-AMERICAN VETERANS TO WORK FOR WIDOW PENSION

More than 150 Connellsville Soldiers to Seek Widows' Pensions.

More than 150 Connellsville men veterans of the Spanish American war are interested in the bill already passed by the House providing pensions of \$12 a month for the widows of the veterans of that war. Many of the veterans themselves are receiving pensions under the act and have been made for their widows.

Three companies of soldiers serving in the Spanish American war were composed largely of Connellsville men who rapidly responded to the call for volunteers. Connellsville soldiers made up the great part of a company in the 15th regiment, one company of volunteers in the 41st regiment and another company of volunteers in the 43rd.

It was reported today that efforts may be made soon to send representatives of local veterans to Washington or to correspond with members of Congress to further the passage of the bill in the Senate.

POSTOFFICE READY OCTOBER 15

Superintendent of Construction Views Near-Completion of Federal Building.

We expect to have the new post office complete by October 15 and Superintendent of Construction J. S. Sweeney Tuesday.

SUPERVISORS ON TRIAL

Somerset County Road Officials to be Held September 26.

SOMERSET Aug. 26.—Prosecutions against local supervisors feature the trial list for the Superior Court of Criminal Court which will convene Monday, September 26. Supervisors of Quakamong and Lincoln townships are named as defendants in the prosecutions.

At both sessions of court, Judge Appel has vainly endeavored to failure to arrest supervisors for neglecting public roads might cost them their own jobs.

DEATH AND DESTRUCTION MARK STORMS IN NEARBY SECTIONS

Floods and Lightning Kill Two and Damage Many Buildings and Crops.

This part of the State fortunately escape the devastating storm which swept over the northern central and eastern sections of the State. Death and destruction followed in the wake of the disturbance and at Warren Hallstones as big as hickory nuts damaged crops and other property.

Monday morning's electrical storm was very severe in Greensburg. About 2 o'clock the residence of Thomas Moore at 704 Stanton street was struck by lightning and Mrs. Moore was killed. Mrs. Moore's residence on Pennsylvania street was struck and damaged by lightning. Over the chimneys on State street, John W. Johnson's residence east of town was struck, partly knocked off and the tile roof damaged. The residence of John H. H. on Locust street was struck and slightly damaged.

Albert Wagner, aged 40, well known farmer, was killed by lightning Monday morning in a fire that destroyed his barn with all its contents. Wagner was awakened by the flames and rushed to the barn and in an effort to save his stock was overcome and perished in the flames. The barn was struck by lightning.

George Allan, aged 35, years was struck by lightning in Hickory town ship near Sharon and so badly shocked he probably will die. Hiram West of Sandy Creek is forcing a stream when his house was struck and destroyed. The house was struck by lightning and the roof was blown down. The house was struck by lightning and the roof was blown down.

For two hours a terrific electrical storm swept Erie. In the country two large barns and a house were destroyed. A score of cattle and two horses were killed.

Warren was visited by a severe hail storm on Monday night and it is feared thousands of dollars damage has been done to crops. For 15 minutes the storm raged with hail stones as large as hickory nuts falling until the ground was white.

An electrical storm swept over a portion of Kiskiminnus valley and vicinity causing several houses and dollars damage. Lightning struck several barns and houses.

Many thousands dollars damage was done in one place. One death was caused by a disastrous flood at New Castle yesterday.

The barn on the Clark farm near Apollo was struck by lightning and destroyed by fire.

GRUBB CHIEF HADEN SHORTLY

George L. Grubb formerly chief of police at Morgantown, Pa., is recently sworn in as a deputy sheriff of Montgomery county, Pa., and will be stationed at Cheat River.

Yardmaster for Rockwood Constable at Rockwood will in the near future be appointed constable of Rockwood borough filling the position of W. E. Cook who recently resigned to accept a position in North Carolina.

REV. MR. WHITE ON RETURN, DEFIES HIS CONGREGATION AGAIN

Pastor of United Presbyterian Church Declares Recent Meeting Illegal.

Beyond Church Law, He Says

There will be no called meeting of the Presbyterian church, declared Rev. B. L. White Tuesday morning upon his return from his vacation which was spent with his wife at Cape Cod, Mass. Mr. White said that the church law was violated and that the meeting was illegal. He said he would not be present at the meeting.

FIRE TRUCK TRAVELS OVERLAND TO TAKE PART AT UNIONTOWN

New City Apparatus Enters in the Old Home Week Water Battle.

LOCAL PROTECTION LESSENED

Removal of Machine to County Seat Considered Unwise, Burgess and Other Officials Make Point in Automobile, It Remains on Street Car.

Connellsville's new auto fire truck, members of the Volunteer Fire Department and borough officials went to Uniontown Wednesday to participate in the Old Home Week activities. The fire truck left here at 8 o'clock this morning, took part in the water battle in the afternoon and captured a prize.

The fire truck, in charge of Chief Haddock and Fireman Lee, left Uniontown at 10 o'clock this morning. The trip was overland and the machine was considered unwise by Burgess and other officials. The machine was considered unwise by Burgess and other officials.

LOVER, BARRED BY GIRL'S MOTHER, CHOKES HER DEAD

Norman B. McCleary, Twenty-three Strangles Mrs. Annie Henry at Hagerstown, Md.

HAGERSTOWN, Md. Aug. 28.—Separated from the girl to whom he had been paying attention and her mother refused him Norman B. McCleary, twenty-three, of Hagerstown, Md., strangled his mother-in-law, Mrs. Annie Henry, twenty-three, of Hagerstown, Md., on Monday night. McCleary was arrested on suspicion of the murder.

The murder is 24 years old and has been paying attention to Miss Annie Henry, a young girl living in this town. The girl's mother, Mrs. Annie Henry, objected to McCleary's attentions and refused him.

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TEN WED IN SOMERSET

Frosty Squall of Thunder Laid to Chill Little Winded Cool.

SOMERSET Aug. 28.—A cold squall of rain and wind, with a few hailstones, fell on the town of Somerset, Pa., on Wednesday. The squall was followed by a cold, clear day.

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TYPHOID FEVER IN DUTCH BOTTOM LEADS TO PROBE BY CITY

Condition of Water Pipes Causes Demand for Flushing by Company.

TUBES ARE CLEARED TODAY

Four Cases in North End This Year Two New Inhabitants—Son of John Swallow and Mrs. Peter Russo—Reported to Health Board.

Water pipes in Dutch Bottom, north of the city, have been found to be in a bad condition. The city health board has ordered the pipes to be flushed. The pipes are owned by the city and are used for the water supply.

Two new cases of typhoid fever were reported to the health board. The cases are in the north end of the city. The cases are in the north end of the city.

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500 AT BEERBOWER MEET

Members of Family From Connellsville, Dunbar and Lockers, Present.

The first annual convention of the Beerbower family was held at the Hotel Clarendon, Clarendon, Va., Saturday. There were 500 present. Of the 13 children of Philip Beerbower, four are living. There were 100 members of the family present.

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MILLER, WITH WIFE AND 2 ONE-LEGGED MEN NABBED IN RAID

South Side Home is Entered by Police and Occupants are Arrested.

FOUR CAUGHT; TWO ESCAPED

Numerous Complaints Concerning Altered Mercantile in Place Leads to Move on Part of Officers—Leg of Feet Goes to Waste.

Samuel Miller and wife charged with conducting a disorderly house at 1111 North Second street were arrested by police Tuesday night. The police entered the house and found it to be a disorderly house. The police entered the house and found it to be a disorderly house.

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Three New Applications for Position of Music Instructor But Vote Upon Appointment Falls. Still Depends Upon Director Smith

Chalfant Reunion
Over 200 representatives of the Chalfant family from Kansas, Ohio, West Virginia and parts of Pennsylvania attended the annual reunion of the Chalfant family held Saturday at Sandy Creek, Pa. The program, consisting of music and several addresses was carried out in a delightful day was spent. Among the guests were Benjamin Chalfant of Atchison Kansas, Misses Helen and Irene Chalfant of Sandy Creek, Pa., and Mrs. Staubenville, O. The officers elected were President N. B. Chalfant, of Glensport, Vice President Fred I. Chalfant of South Brownsville and Secretary, Albert Mithunbach of Monaca, Pa. Mrs. M. M. Staubenville of this township is the retiring secretary. The Chalfant family is one of the oldest in the State of Pennsylvania. The reunion this year was arranged by the descendants of the youngest of the six sons, Walter Chalfant.

Greensburg Salon Charges Bribery
Councilman A C Hunt of Southwest Greensburg created a sensation Saturday when he asserted he had been offered a bribe of \$500 if he would vote in favor of annexing that borough to Greensburg.

P. R. R. Engineer Resigns
Having reached the age of 70 years Joseph Lry Crawford consulting engineer of the Pennsylvania Railroad has announced he will retire September 1. In addition to his long service with the railroad Crawford was engaged in many important engineering projects in the United States and Japan and was twice decorated by the emperor of the latter country.

**Alleged Attempt to Draw Workers
from Boat Construction Followed
by Exodus to Buckhannon & North-
ern—Typhoid Fever in Camp**

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Four Per Cent. Interest
Paid on Savings
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horses in the epidemic times. It is now wiped out and the last of the horses afflicted with the disease are to be killed this week according to information received today by Veterinarian E. N. Sherrick. Four horses are to be killed.

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FREE 20¢ Page Book—tells all about oil

SECOND NATIONAL BANK
 Connellsville, Pa.
 Safe Deposit Boxes in Steel Vanities for Rent

B. & O. EXPENDED \$60,000,000 SINCE 1909, SAYS WILLARD

President Declares Enormous Sum Spent for Improvements.

SEES GREAT SHORTAGE OF CARS

Head of Railroad System Again Predicts Scarcity of Freight Rolling Stock—Reports That 400 Engines and 25,000 Freight Cars are Bought.

President Daniel Willard, of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Company, Cost \$75,000,000.

outlook for business along the company's lines was favorable. Car loadings, he said, were heavy at present, and he would not be surprised to see a shortage in rolling stock when the bulk of tonnage to be moved this year is in full swing.

Willard said the Baltimore & Ohio did not contemplate new financing the rest of the current year, as there was no need for development. How the \$50,000,000 notes which mature on June 1 next, will be taken care of, Willard said, has not yet been decided.

Willard said: "Carloadings are heavy and increasing daily, and I expect we will have a very large tonnage of freight to move the next few months. With respect to the possibility of a shortage of cars, I might add that about a year ago, in an address which I delivered, I predicted that with large crops this year and a return to anything like normal prosperity the country this year would see one of the greatest shortages ever experienced, much worse in fact, than that of 1907. I see no reason for changing my views of a year ago."

"The car building companies throughout the country have been doing little business the last two years, which means the railroads have not been buying new equipment. Therefore, it is a question whether or not the railroads have prepared themselves during the last period of dullness for the conditions which are bound to arise when the crop moving season is in full swing."

"So far as the Baltimore & Ohio is concerned, we have endeavored to place the company in as strong a position as possible to take care of the large business that is promised this year. During the last three years, the Baltimore & Ohio has expended \$10,000,000 on the property for improvements, additions, betterments and new rolling stock. Of this amount \$9,000,000 was provided from the sale of 3-year 4 1/2% notes and \$10,000,000 from the sale of 4 1/2% equipment trust certificates. During this time the company has added to its complement of equipment over 400 engines and 25,000 freight cars. Whether or not this additional equipment will be sufficient to prevent a shortage of cars over the lines of the Baltimore & Ohio this year, it is impossible to state at present."

"I do not know what the other roads have done in the matter of preparing for the large business that is promised for the current year, but the Baltimore & Ohio management has done the best it could considering the many unfavorable conditions."

STORMS HAMPER RAILROAD BUILDING IN WEST VIRGINIA

Monongahela and Buckhannon & Northern Intersect Slides.

Caused by rains. With every storm, damage to the newly constructed roadbed of the Monongahela Railroad extension from Martin to the Pennsylvania-West Virginia State line and of the Buckhannon & Northern Railroad, between the State line and Fairmont, W. Va., is caused.

At Dillinger's ferry, opposite Point Marion, a huge section of the hillside slipped onto the road bed, necessitating the removal of hundreds of yards of dirt. At another point along the new railroad, in a rain under the road, the railroad sank six feet.

Much of the track on the Pennsylvania end of the line has been laid, and delay in opening the new railroad into West Virginia will be caused by slides. On the West Virginia side, scarcity of labor in several places has delayed contractors. A few days ago, the entire force of laborers employed by a contractor, quit and took employment on a pipe-line through Monongahela county, not far from the railroad. Contractors have been forced to offer higher wages and other inducements to get men.

LEMONT MINE IS OPERATING PARTIALLY SINCE FLOOD

Davidson Workings Also Active, as is White Shaft of the Frick Company.

Partial operation of the Lemont No. 1 mine, which was flooded, July 24, and in which three miners lost their lives, was begun Wednesday by the Frick Company. The plant is operating at about one-third its capacity. So far, no trace has been found of the body of John Scanlon, the only one of the three not yet recovered. All of the mules have been removed from the mine.

Half of the Davidson workings, partially flooded Monday, are in operation. This mine will be in full operation in two or three days. A quick shipment of pipe was made from Latrobe to Davidson, Monday night, by the Frick company. The pipe, 12-inch in size, was shipped to Greensburg by express and brought to Conneltsville on a special West Penn car. From here, it was transported to Davidson by teams.

The White mine, which was partially flooded Monday, is operating at half capacity Thursday, but will be operating fully in a day or two.

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PROGRESS OF RAILROAD DEVELOPMENT IN ALASKA

Geological Survey Issues Report on Available Routes and Estimates of Cost.

The full industrial development of inland Alaska is possible only by constructing railways that will furnish transportation to open ports on the Pacific. Though Alaskans have long been clamoring for adequate transportation facilities, the general public outside of the Territory has only recently begun to understand that the opening of the mineral wealth and arable lands of this great empire is a matter of national importance.

Many plans have been proposed for building railways in Alaska either by public or by private enterprise, and various measures are now before Congress dealing with this subject. In view of this situation a report just issued by the United States Geological Survey entitled, "Railway routes in Alaska," by Alfred H. Brooks (Bulletin 520-A), is of much interest. This report briefly summarizes all the data bearing on the location of a railway which shall connect Fairbanks, on the Tanana, with one of several possible coastal terminals on the Pacific seaboard. The distance to tide-water by the several routes varies from 350 to over 600 miles. Experienced engineers have estimated the average cost per mile of constructing this line at \$40,000.

Any one of the several proposed railways described in this report would render accessible the great resources of what has been termed central Alaska, a quadrangular area of about 200,000 square miles extending from the Pacific seaboard to the Arctic Circle. Central Alaska has produced from its placers gold to the value of \$75,000,000. It includes also several auriferous lode belts. One of these copper belts has some 200 miles long extending inland from Cordova. Central Alaska also includes the high grade coals of the Bering River and Matanuska fields, as well as very extensive deposits of lignite coal. In addition to its mineral wealth, which will justify railways, central Alaska contains much valuable agricultural and grazing land.

This publication not only summarizes data on topography and mineral resources but also touches on climatic conditions, distribution of population, and arable lands, etc. It is illustrated by a new map showing the distribution of mineral resources in Alaska. The same bulletin contains a summary statement of the mining industry of Alaska in 1911, together with statistics of production.

TROLLEY DICKER HINGES ON WEST PENN POWER INTERESTS

Deal for Grafton, W. Va., Traction Company May Cause Demand Upon Cheat Haven.

Advised Wednesday from Grafton, are that the West Virginia Traction & Electric Company, which recently acquired the Union Utilities lines at Morgantown, W. Va., and the Elm Grove Traction Company at Wheeling, are conducting negotiations for the purchase of the Grafton Traction Company.

The acquisition of these properties, it is said, is the first step in the building of a great traction and power system throughout the Cheat and Mingo gashole valleys and which, it is thought, will depend upon the new American Water & Guarantee Company's \$1,000,000 power dam at Cheat Haven for current.

P. R. R. IN TRESPASS WAR

Railroad Company Reports \$100,000 Spent in 1911 Campaign.

To secure the co-operation of municipal authorities in its warfare against trespassers, the Pennsylvania Railroad made public figures showing that its police department in 1911 spent more than \$100,000 in campaigning against trespassing. This was nearly 20 per cent. of the total cost of maintaining the railroad's police force.

A number of years ago, the Pennsylvania set out to perfect the organization of an efficient police department. Members of the force travel over the road both on passenger and freight trains, and while protecting the property of the company, make it their duty to look out for trespassers. The company adopted this policy, according to its latest announcement, to protect life and its property.

In 1907, 515 trespassers were killed on the Pennsylvania railroad alone, but due, probably, to the active campaign against trespassing, the number dropped in 1911 to 527.

RAINS MAKE BOAT STAGE

Coal Companies Expect to Ship South if Present Depth Continues.

As a result of recent heavy rains there is likely to be another coal boat rise in the Ohio at Muscatine. All stations up the Allegheny, Youghiogheny and the Monongahela, indicate that the rainfall was very heavy. In some places there being 1 1/2 inches of precipitation. As the ground has been heavily soaked by rainfalls the last few weeks, the streams will get the great benefit and consequently a rise will not be unexpected.

The River Coal Company has several million bushels of coal to send south, and it will be shipped as soon as the rivers reach a boating stage. In addition to this, the boats now on the way north will be able to reach Pittsburgh with heavy loads of empties, which will mean additional work for the river men.

B. & O. Safety Committee Busy. The Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Company's safety committee again is on the road, emphasizing caution on the part of employees. Meetings have been held at Martinsburg, Keyser and other West Virginia points.

Reshaping New B. & O. Shops. Work on the new Baltimore & Ohio railroad shops at South Cumberland, Md., is being pushed. Two hundred and fifty men are engaged in remodeling the old shops.

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LOCAL OFFICIALS OF B. & O. SLATED FOR HIGHER POSITIONS

List Not Definitely Announced but Promotions Confirmed Here.

JOSEPH PAGE TO BALTIMORE

Car Distributor at Conneltsville Transferred to Main Terminal of the Company; Has Lived in This City Almost All His Life.

Several officials of the Conneltsville division of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Company, among them Joseph Page, car distributor, are slated for promotion to the Baltimore office. The promotions probably will be effective next week.

Announcement was made Thursday of Page's promotion, to be car distributor at Baltimore.

Chief Clerk Schoonover, in Superintendent French's office, Thursday afternoon, until later in the week, to name the officials to be promoted, saying there may be changes in the plans. He confirmed Page's promotion, and said the others probably would be made when Page goes to Baltimore.

Page has lived in Conneltsville practically all his life, and is one of the best known railroaders here. He will move his family to Baltimore.

FOUR RED CROSS PRIZES ARE WON BY PENNSYLVANIA MINERS

Largest Gift of National Relief Organization Awarded Pittston and Winbush Men.

Announcement has just been made by the national headquarters of the American Red Cross at Washington of the names of those who are entitled to prizes for exceptionally skillful first-aid work rendered during the past year.

About a year ago a gentleman, who does not desire his name to be made public, presented to the Red Cross a special endorsement of \$5,000, to be known as the "William Howard Taft Fund," the income from which is to be devoted annually to prizes for first-aid work and competitions among the railroad men of the country. Four prizes with medals are awarded annually. The only one of this type of money from this fund for work done during 1911 was Christian D. Fisher, of 1271 Park Boulevard, Camden, N. J., an employee of the Pennsylvania Railroad shops. Fisher was awarded the first prize of \$50, having treated a total of 16 cases during the year.

The Red Cross, from its own funds, also gives similar prizes to first-aid men other than those employed by railroads. The winner of the first prize of \$50 in this class is John Brown, mine foreman, Pennsylvania Coal Company, Pittston, Pa., who rendered very excellent service to three men who were burned and otherwise badly injured by an explosion of gas in the Hoyt shaft on January 10, 1911. In an affidavit made by the resident physician at Pittston Hospital relative to the men in which the injuries of these men were stated, it is stated: "It would hardly have been possible for any physician under the most favorable conditions to have accomplished better work * * * and I take pleasure in testifying to the value and efficiency of the work in these three particular cases."

James Gibson, an employee of the Berwind-White Coal Company, of Windber, Pa., was the successful contestant for the second prize of \$25, having rendered first-aid treatment in a skillful manner to Frank Keokule, who, on October 5, 1911, while loading coal was injured by the roof falling upon him. He sustained a compound fracture of the left leg, comminuted fracture of the right leg involving the knee, fracture of the right shoulder blade and a bad sprain of the back. The success of the prompt action of the man rendering it. The fall occurred at 1 o'clock it took 15 minutes to dig the injured man from the debris and only 15 minutes to render first aid and out the injured man in proper shape to be carried out of the mine where an ambulance was waiting to carry him to a hospital the ambulance having been called by telephone.

The third prize of \$15 and fourth prize of \$10 were divided equally between Messrs. Thomas M. Robertson and Fred Casner, also employed by the Berwind-White Company. These men rendered first-aid treatment to Alonzo Yonker, who, on May 7, 1911, fell from a stack to a concrete floor, a distance of over twenty-five feet. The injuries in this case consisted of a compound fracture of the lower jaw, front teeth broken, broken kneecap and general contusions. A physician arriving fifteen minutes after the accident, after examining the injured man, stated that the work of the Red Cross men could not have been improved.

To be eligible to any of the above prizes applicants must be members of first-aid classes organized under the auspices of the American Red Cross.

FROM MINER TO TAFT AID.

President's Secretary Formerly Worked in Ohio Shaft.

Rising from the coal mines of Lawrence county, Ohio, to a position of great responsibility in the Nation's capital, Carmi A. Thompson, President Taft's new private secretary, has had a political career of more than ordinary interest. Even while digging coal for a living less than 25 years ago, Thompson is said to have cherished the ambition to be secretary to the President of the United States. So he studied nights and read omnivorously, and finally worked his way through college. His rise has been rapid.

In an interview Thursday, said the cost to the union of the button workers' strike at Muscatine, Ia., which was called off, was \$79,000.

UNITED STATES LEADS WORLD IN THE PRODUCTION OF COAL

United States Geological Survey Reports Total to Be 1,302,500,000 Tons.

The United States has held first place among the coal-producing countries of the world since 1899, when this country supplanted Great Britain. In 1911 the total world's production of coal amounted to approximately 1,302,500,000 short tons, of which the United States contributed 498,221,188 tons, or 38.1 per cent. according to the United States Geological Survey.

In the 12 years from 1899 to 1911 the production of the United States has increased over 250 per cent. from 1899 to 1911 Great Britain has increased its output about 50 per cent. from 398,148,731 to 594,521,195 tons. The United States in 1911 produced almost 500,000,000 tons, or 62 per cent. more than Great Britain in 1911; Germany's production of coal and lignite in 1899 was 23,640,500 short tons; in 1911 it was 358,223,769 tons, an increase of over 175 per cent.

The combined production of Great Britain and Germany in 1911 was 592,744,958 short tons, which exceeded the output of the United States by only 66,500,000 tons, or 13.2 per cent. These three countries, United States, Great Britain and Germany, produce more than 80 per cent. of the world's total supply of coal.

BITUMINOUS EXPORTS IN 1911 ARE INCREASED 30 PER CENT

United States Geological Survey Computes the Total at 17,432,763 Tons.

The exports of coal from the United States during 1911, according to the United States Geological Survey, were 17,432,763 long tons, valued at \$52,559,274, compared with 13,395,816 long tons, valued at \$41,470,792, in 1910. The exports in 1911 comprised 3,559,992 long tons of anthracite, valued at \$18,093,253, and 13,878,771 long tons of bituminous coal, valued at \$34,499,939. The exports of bituminous coal increased over 3,000,000 tons, or about 30 per cent. Anthracite exports increased about 500,000 tons.

The imports of anthracite amounted in 1911 to only 2,463 long tons, valued at \$12,556, and those of bituminous coal decreased from 1,491,700 long tons, valued at \$3,975,561, in 1910, to 1,224,908 tons, valued at \$3,604,797.

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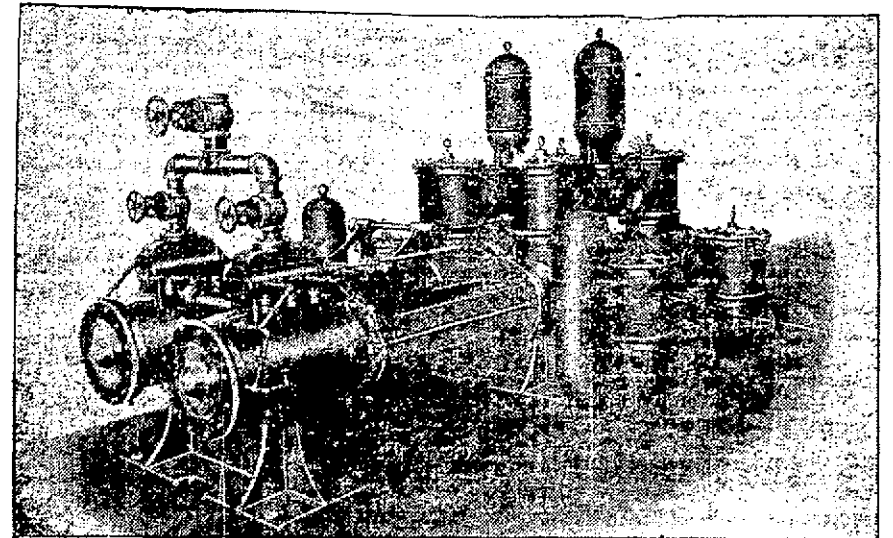
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